Shasta County COVID-19 School Guidance

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How to use this document

Shasta County aligns COVID-19 recommendations with Federal and State Guidance. This, new School Guidance links you directly to the source for guidance and pertinent documents. Local schools should follow California state-wide guidance, including CDPH guidance for school settings (students) and Cal/OSHA (staff).

In-person instruction plays an important role in students' academic, emotional, and social development. Everything that we have learned about COVID-19 has helped us understand how to make classrooms safer and allow children to return to school in-person.

For clarity, we included most recent version of each document. If you have any questions regarding this document or guidance in this document call (530) 225-5591 and ask to talk with a School Covid Specialist within Public Health or email docschools@co.shasta.ca.us

What to Know

- For students in K-12 or childcare COVID-19 cases follow CDPH's K-12 and Childcare Guidance.

- For students in Higher education COVID-19 cases follow CDC's Institution of Higher Education Guidance.

- For staff COVID-19 cases/exposures follow Cal/OSHA requirements.

- Reporting to Shasta County Public Health of escalating COVID-19 situations/outbreaks, including but not limited to whenever the number of cases within school staff is greater or equal to three in a 14-day period, also when more than 10% of the student cohort population is absent due to Covid-related issues, is expected through SPOT.

- Schools should refer to the California Code of Regulations (CCR) Title 17, §2500, §2508, AB 685, and Cal/OSHA Emergency Temporary Standards for reporting requirements.

- Anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 should get tested, if the person had COVID-19 in the previous 90 days, it is recommended to use an antigen test.

- Staff or students that have COVID-19 symptoms or have tested positive for COVID should isolate at home and not come to school. Follow CDPH's guidance and/or Cal/OSHA ETS to determine period of isolation.

State COVID-19 Guidance

California Department of Public Health – CDPH

SAFE SCHOOLS FOR ALL HUB

K-12 SCHOOL GUIDANCE

CHILDCARE GUIDANCE

HIGHER EDUCATION RESOURCES

CHILDCARE FAQ

K-12 NOTIFICATION EXPOSURE TEMPLATE

HEALTH ORDER: VACCINE VERIFICATION FOR STAFF

GUIDANCE FOR VENTILATION

ISOLATION AND QUARANTINE

GUIDANCE FOR THE USE OF FACE COVERINGS

GUIDANCE FOR USE OF OTC TESTS

TESTING TASK FORCE

Cal/OSHA

CAL/OSHA ETS

CAL/OSHA FAQ

CDPH's Guidance for Educational settings.

Cal/OSHA standards for employers and staff.

Local COVID-19 Guidance

Shasta County Public Health

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE ISOLATED?

LOCAL TITLE 17 DOCUMENT

LOCAL TESTING SITES

GENERAL LOCAL COVID-19 INFO

SCHOOL'S LOCAL WEBSITE

LOCAL COVID-19 STATISTICS

Shasta County Information for isolation, quarantine and local testing sites.

SHARED PORTAL FOR OUTBREAK TRACKING (SPOT)

INTAKE FORM

REPORTING PORTAL

TRAINING VIDEOS ON SPOT

TRAINING VIDEO FOR AERIES BULK UPLOAD

SPOT is a safe way to share information regarding cases in school settings.
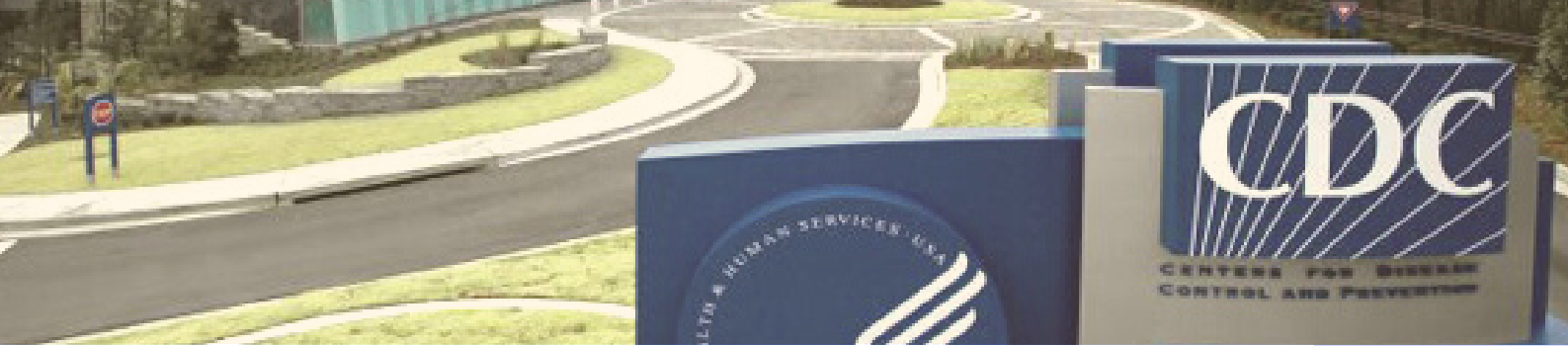
Federal COVID-19 Guidance

Center for Disease Control and Prevention – CDC

CDC'S K-12 SCHOOLS GUIDANCE

CDC'S CHILDCARE GUIDANCE

CDC'S HIGHER EDUCATION GUIDANCE

SCHOOL TESTING GUIDANCE

CDC's Guidance for Educational settings.

US Department of Education

ED COVID-19 HANDBOOK

Department of Education tools for schools to safely remain open.

Additional Guidance

LOCAL MASKING CONSIDERATIONS

CHILDCARE DECISION TREE - SICK

OUTBREAK RESPONSE TEAM

CHILD/YOUTH WELL-BEING FOR PARENTS

RESOURCES FOR PARENTS

SMARTER PLAN

COVID-19 TESTING SUPPORT

K-12 MASKING SCIENCE BRIEF

REPORT TESTING RESULTS

PROTECTING YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH

HEALTHY MINDS, THRIVING KIDS PROJECT

LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES

Additional Resources for:

- Decision tree
- Resource for parents
- Request for an Outbreak response
- SMARTER Plan
- Testing support
- Mental Health

FAQ

DOES SOMEONE WHO HAS BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH COVID-19 NEED TO RECEIVE A NEGATIVE TEST RESULT BEFORE RETURNING TO WORK OR SCHOOL? (THIS IS A RECOMMENDATION IF THE PERSON TESTING POSITIVE IS A STUDENT AND A REQUIREMENT IF THE PERSON IS A STAFF MEMBER)

. It depends. If the person is returning before 10 days of isolation, then yes.

- Stay at home for at least 5 days after the onset of symptoms or test positive if asymptomatic (day 0).
- It is recommended that the person test on day 5, if still positive, retest on day 7.
- If the test on day 7 is positive continue to isolate until day 10 and return on day 11.

If the individual was symptomatic, they may return if symptoms are resolving and there has been no fever for 24 hours and a negative test on or after day 5, but no test needed after day 10. If fever is present, isolation shall continue until fever resolves. Individuals are exempt from screening testing for 90 days after a positive COVID test unless they show symptoms of COVID, if so, antigen testing is preferred.

For more information related to student's isolation click here or here for staff's isolation.

WHAT SHOULD I ADVISE A STUDENT/STAFF TO DO WHO HAS HAD COVID IN THE PAST 90 DAYS AND DEVELOPS SYMPTOMS?

Anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 should get tested. It is recommended to test that person with an antigen test. A positive antigen test indicates a new COVID-19 infection and the person should isolate again.

WHEN SHOULD I REPORT CASES IN MY SCHOOL?

It is easy to report positive COVID cases to the Local Health Department by using this user-friendly link and submit an intake form through SPOT of escalating COVID-19 situations/outbreaks, including but not limited to whenever the number of cases within school staff is greater or equal to three in a 14-day period, also when more than 10% of the student cohort population is absent due to Covid-related issues.

You will need to register as a School SPOT Liaison and then submit information regarding your location and the cases you have.

WHAT ARE THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN STAFF AND STUDENTS' EXPOSURES?

Staff are subject to Cal/OSHA requirements outlined in this document to help you determine any requirements. Students are subject to CDPH guidance at this document for recommendations.

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Resource Page

https://schools.covid19.ca.gov/
https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/K-12-Guidance-2021-22-School-Year.aspx
https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Child-Care-Guidance.aspx
https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Resources-for-Colleges-Universities-to-Reduce-COVID-Risk.aspx
https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/dd418f5c54e642e884fc3322a97707be/
https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Group-Tracing-Approach-to-Students-Exposed-to-COVID-19.aspx
https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Order-of-the-State-Public-Health-Officer-Vaccine-Verification-for-Workers-in-Schools.aspx
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https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Over-The-Counter-Tests-LHJ-Guidance.aspx
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https://www.dir.ca.gov/dosh/coronavirus/ETS.html
https://www.dir.ca.gov/dosh/dosh_publications/Isolation-and-Quarantine-fs.pdf
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https://www.co.shasta.ca.us/ready/covid-19/data
https://www.co.shasta.ca.us/ready/covid-19/overview
https://my.primary.health/l/caschools
https://www.co.shasta.ca.us/docs/libraries/shasta-ready-docs/covid-19/new-group-tracing-guidance-for-schools-final2.pdf
https://spot.cdph.ca.gov/s/IntakeForm?language=en_US
https://spot.cdph.ca.gov/s/?language=en_US
https://spot.cdph.ca.gov/s/help/school-help?language=en_US
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i5ZVUquTsA0
https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/k-12-guidance.html
https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/child-care-guidance.html
https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/colleges-universities/considerations.html
https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/school-testing.html
https://www2.ed.gov/documents/coronavirus/reopening-3.pdf
https://www.cdc.gov/mentalhealth/stress-coping/parental-resources/index.html
https://www.co.shasta.ca.us/ready/covid-19/resources/mental-health
https://www.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/surgeon-general-youth-mental-health-advisory.pdf
https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Face-Coverings-QA.aspx
https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/SchoolOutbreakResponseTeams.aspx
https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Requirement-for-Universal-Masking-Indoors-at-K-12-Schools.aspx
https://files.constantcontact.com/1c96cec2801/5923ea38-ad21-4a1f-bab5-723c15e10e61.pdf
https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Interim-Guidance-for-Ventilation-Filtration-and-Air-Quality-in-Indoor-Environments.aspx